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SUMMARY: THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY (PCP) WILL
SEND 150 DELEGATES TO THE 11TH WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL IN
HAVANA, AND WILL ENTERTAIN OTHER EUROPEAN DELEGATIONS IN
LISBON PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. END SUMMARY.

1. THE PCP ANNOUNCED JULY 7 THAT 150 PARTY YOUTH DELEGATES WILL
ATTEND THE HAVANA WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL. THE DELEGATION WILL BE
COMPOSED OF 60 PER CENT WORKING YOUTH, 30 PER CENT STUDENTS, AND
10 PER CENT ARTISTS AND MEMBERS OF PCP CHILDREN'S GROUPS.
2. THE PCP PLANS A SERIES OF RECEPTIONS AND RALLIES JULY 15-18 FOR
TWO SHIPLOADS OF SOVIET AND OTHER EUROPEAN DELEGATES WHO WILL
TRANSIT LISBON ON THE WAY TO HAVANA. THE FIRST SOVIET DELEGATION
OF 500 IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE JULY 15. A SECOND SHIP WITH DELEGATIONS
FROM SPAIN, ITALY, FRANCE, FINLAND, AND A SECOND SOVIET
GROUP WILL ARRIVE JULY 17. THE PORTUGUESE DELEGATION WILL JOIN
THE SECOND GROUP AND WILL DEPART JULY 18 FOR HAVANA.

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3. THE YOUTH WINGS OF THE PORTUGUESE DEMOCRATIC POLITICAL
PARTIES (PS, CDS, PSD) WILL NOT SEND DELEGATIONS TO HAVANA. A
MEMBER OF THE YOUNG SOCIALISTS, HOWEVER, WILL ATTEND AS A
MEMBER OF THE YOUNG SOCIALISTS INTERNATIONAL DELEGATION.
4. THE PORTUGUESE MEDIA -- INCLUDING THE COMMUNIST PRESS --
HAVE GIVEN LITTLE COVERAGE TO THE HAVANA FESTIVAL.

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